Journal of the House

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Linda Tarr-Whelan, former Ambassador to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Burlington, Vt.

Pledge of Allegiance

Page Daniel Durgin of Cabot led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Message from the Senate No. 44

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part adopted Senate concurrent resolution of the following title:

S.C.R. 15. Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the General Federation of Women's Clubs on its 125th anniversary.

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:


H.C.R. 100. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 Essex Union High School Division I championship boys’ ice hockey team.


H.C.R. 102. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 U-32 High School boys’ track and field Division II championship team.

H.C.R. 103. House concurrent resolution congratulating Michael Law on his induction into the Vermont Principals’ Association Hall of Fame.
H.C.R. 104. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Harwood Union High School Highlanders Division II championship girls’ and boys’ cross country teams.

H.C.R. 105. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 Mill River Union High School Minutemen Division II championship girls’ basketball team.

H.C.R. 106. House concurrent resolution honoring Bob Mark as an extraordinary music educator and outstanding classical violinist.

H.C.R. 107. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Mill River Union High School Minutemen Division II championship baseball team.

H.C.R. 108. House concurrent resolution expressing appreciation for the economic and health benefits that the yoga industry provides to Vermonters.

H.C.R. 109. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Lund Family Center on its 125th anniversary.

H.C.R. 110. House concurrent resolution honoring John Kerrigan on his exemplary high school coaching and teaching career at Harwood Union High School.

H.C.R. 111. House concurrent resolution commending the final Farmers Night Civil War Sesquicentennial anniversary presentation and the outstanding work of the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission.

H.C.R. 112. House concurrent resolution congratulating the winning teams in the 2015 Junior Iron Chef Vermont statewide youth culinary competition.

House Bill Introduced

H. 500

Reps. Masland of Thetford introduced a bill, entitled

An act relating to appurtenant dwelling units under the use value appraisal program

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on Ways & Means.

Remarks Journalized

On motion of Rep. Russell of Rutland City, the following remarks by Rep. Devereux of Mount Holly were ordered printed in the Journal:

“Mr. Speaker:

Last week the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission hosted their last event. They kept alive the memory of those that served to save the
union. But the commission also reminded us of the hardship families faced while the men were away. Lives were changed for a generation, and wounds healed slowly. Vermont soldiers returned home changed by what they saw. The number of Americans killed equaled the present population of our state.

I cannot let this day pass without mentioning that 150 years ago today President Abraham Lincoln died. He had been shot the evening before, and never regained consciousness. Let us remember that this event forever changed the course of our nation’s history. Within days of the war's end, jubilation had turned into disbelief and mourning.

The famous speech, Lincoln made at Gettysburg a year and a half prior to his death, is recognized by most every American. Many of us here likely learned those 10 sentences at some point.”

Third Reading; Bill Passed in Concurrence
With Proposal of Amendment

S. 71

Senate bill, entitled
An act relating to governance of the Vermont State Colleges
Was taken up, read the third time and passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment.

Action on Bill Postponed

S. 13

Senate bill, entitled
An act relating to the Vermont Sex Offender Registry
Was taken up and on motion of Rep. Jewett of Ripton, action on the bill was postponed until the next legislative day.

Message from the Senate No. 45

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part passed Senate bills of the following titles:

S. 138. An act relating to promoting economic development.

S. 139. An act relating to pharmacy benefit managers and hospital observation status.
In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.
The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

**J.R.S. 24.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

**Adjournment**

At ten o'clock and twenty-six minutes in the forenoon, on motion of Rep. **Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.